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OFFICERS FOR 1888.

President, Judge Ardagh. 1st Vice-President, C. N. Bell, F.R.G.S.
2nd Vice-President, Hon. Gilbert McMicken.
Corresponding Secretary, A. Bowerman, M.A. Treasurer, Stephen Nairn.
Recording Secretary, D. S. Curry.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

Consisting of the above officers and following gentlemen :

Rev. Prof. Bryce, L.L.D.
Rev. Prof. Hart, M.A., B.D.
Rev. A. B. Baird, M.A., B.D.
Archibald McNee.
N. Agnew, M.D.
F. C. Wade, B.A.
Alderman A. McDonald.
F. F. Wesbrook, B.A.
R. E. W. Goodridge.

STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1888.

Archæological and Natural History Committee.

C. N. Bell, *Chairman.*
F. F. Wesbrook.
Dr. Agnew.
A. Bowerman.
Rev. A. B. Baird.

Library and Publication Committee.

Rev. Dr. Bryce, *Chairman.*
Judge Ardagh.
Rev. Prof. Hart
F. C. Wade.
Archibald McNee.

Finance and Property Committee.

Alderman A. McDonald, *Chairman.*
D. S. Curry.
Stephen Nairn.
Hon. G. McMicken.
R. E. W. Goodridge.

Joint Library Committee of City Council and Historical Society.

Rev. Dr. Bryce, *Chairman.*
Alderman Baker.
Alderman Riley.
Alderman Grundy.
Rev. Prof. Hart.
Archibald McNee.

THE HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY
OF MANITOBA.

Consists of the following classes of Members and Subscribers:

Honorary Members, **Life Members, $25.00.**
Corresponding Members. **Active Members, $5.00 per annum.**
Library Subscribers, $2.00 per annum.

Members of the Council of Manitoba University and Undergraduates have access to the Isbister Library in custody of the Society.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Lord Dufferin,
F. Parkman,
Col. Palliser,
General Lord Wolseley.
Sir George Stephen.
Archdeacon McDonald.
U. S. Consul Taylor,
Principal Dawson,
Dr. John Rae,
General Lefroy.
Marquis of Lorne.
Rev. John McDougall.
Sir John Rose,
Dr. Wilson, Toronto.
Principal Grant,
Sir Donald A. Smith.
Lord Landsdowne.
Rev. Pere Lacombe.
Sandford Fleming.
Sir John A. Macdonald.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

Prof. H. Y. Hind.
Dr. Tac awa.
Joseph ue, Isle a la Crosse, via Prin. ert.
Archibald Macdonald, Fort Qu'Appelle.
Richard Hardisty, Edmonton.
S. K. Parsons, Montreal.
James McDougall, Edmonton.
H. Belanger, Fort Cumberland.
Robert Campbell, Merchistown, Man.
Professor Bell, Montreal.
George Dawson.
C. Mair, Prince Albert.
Roderick Ross, Fort Chippewyan, Athabasca.
Alexander Matheson, Rat Portage.
Lawrence Clarke, Saskatchewan.
Roderick Ross Macfarlane, Fort Chippewyan.
Dr. W. McKay, Peace River.
Prof. H. Bell, Michipicoton, Lake Superior.
Prof. Macoun, Belleville.
Ernest E. Thompson, Toronto.
Walter Dixon, Lake Francis.
Henry J. Morgan, Ottawa.
W. H. Cowdry, Regina.
R. J. W. Pither, Fort Francis.
Professor J. H. Panton, Guelph, Ont.
Rev. Mr. Burman, Griswold, Man.
Rev. John McLean.
Mr. Spencer, Churchill, N.W.T.
Hon. Sam. A. Green, Boston, U. S. A.
James W. R. Swan, U.S.A. Acting Consul General, St. Petersburg.

LIFE MEMBERS.

William Martin, of Hope Farm, Morris.
J. H. Ashdown.
Rev. A. E. Cowley.
C. J. Brydges.
Capt. L. M. Lewis.
Wm. Cowan, M. D., ex-President.
Rev. Dr. Bryce, ex-President.
Lieutenant-Governor Aikins.
Archbishop Taché.
Chief Commissioner Wrigley.
F. W. Stobart.
Angus McCharles.

ANNUAL MEETING

—OF—

The Historical and Scientific Society of Manitoba.

The annual meeting of the members of the Historical and Scientific Society was held in the city hall building on Tuesday, February 14th, 1888. There were present :

Rev. Prof. Hart, president, in the chair, Rev. Dr. Bryce, Judge Ardagh, F. F. Wesbrook, Thomas Clouston, George Fraser, Ald. A. McDonald, W. H. Hughan, Walter Chesterton, R. E. W. Goodridge, F. H. Turnock, Rev. A. B. Baird, Dr. Agnew, J. W. Harris, Archibald McNee, A. Bowerman, C. N. Bell, Stephen Nairn, S. A. Rowbotham and D. S. Curry.

The following is the

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY FOR THE YEAR 1887-1888.

Your council in placing before you the report of another year in the proceedings of the Historical and Scientific Society of Manitoba, feel obliged to express their regret that the hopes deducible from the report of the last year in reference to the prospects and future success of the society have not been realized, and would draw attention to the fact that very many of the difficulties with which they have had to contend have arisen and accumulated from the effort to carry on a circulating library, which did not originally form part of the work the society had set itself to do ; but being so greatly relieved in this matter, by the city council, the Society is in a far better condition to prosecute its legitimate work than has been the case hitherto.

Your executive desire, before entering upon a more particular description of the events of the last twelve months, to express their hearty thankfulness to His Worship the Mayor, and Council, for the substantial assistance which they have afforded the society.

MEMBERS.

Unfortunately there has been a great falling off in the accession of new members, since we have had but one new life member, seven new active, and forty-seven associate members. In regard to the active and associate members your council have reason to believe that the reduction in their number is to be partially accounted for by the admission of the university students, whose families, it is feared, take advantage of this circumstance to procure books, which to obtain in the ordinary way would necessitate their becoming at least associate members and paying the usual fee ; it is true that the society receives fifty dollars a year from the university for the care of the Isbister library, but your council does not feel this to be an equal recompense considering the privileges granted to so large a number and the responsibility of the charge of the books which is cast upon the society.

Another reason is that the society, being in straightened circumstances, had not the power to purchase anything like an adequate number of new books, which are absolutely necessary to keep up the attractiveness of the library.

It is the sad duty of the council to announce the death of Mr. Alexander McArthur, an ex-president of the society and one of its founders, who took very great interest in its welfare and gave us from time to time the benefit of his own research.

Mr. David Young, a corresponding member, has also passed away ; to him we are indebted for the loan of an extensive collection of minerals, shells corals, sea plants, and other tropical products.

Ex-Judge Ryan, who was a member of the society and took a prominent place in politics, has also gone, and Mr. A. S. Dewar, associate member, who was a constant attendant at the reading rooms.

Your council would note with much regret the demise of Professor Spencer Baird, hon. member of the society, and secretary of the Smithsonian Institute, a good friend to the society and conversant with its work.

VISITORS.

It is very gratifying to your executive to be able to announce that the visitors' list far exceeds that of any previous year. There are on the register as many as four hundred and ninety-six names representing persons from many different lands; your council are of opinion that it would be desirable to have a small pamphlet prepared setting forth the aims of this society for distribution to such visitors, with a view to enlisting their interest and possibly obtaining from them contributions of scientific or historic value.

LIBRARY, READING-ROOM AND MUSEUM.

Early in the year it became evident to your council that the society was not in as flourishing a condition as they would desire, but being determined to face the difficulty, they succeeded in making arrangements with the city council for accommodation in the city hall at a rental of three hundred and fifty dollars per annum, including light and heat, as against six hundred and twenty-five dollars in the old rooms.

The statement ably prepared by the chairman of the finance committee shows more particularly how large a saving was thus effected.

But in spite of the efforts put forward by your executive, the aspect of affairs was still far from clear; the society had to provide, besides rent, for insurance, printing, stationery, books, magazines, and other expenses, the largest item being the salary of the secretary; the revenue was found insufficient to meet these demands. Your council therefore felt that such a state of things could not continue; either material assistance must be obtained or the library abandoned, and the society confine itself within the limits of the original intention. A committee was appointed to wait upon the city council with a view to their taking over the circulating library on behalf of the city, the result of which was that joint committees met and discussed the situation, and after considerable effort on both sides a basis of arrangement was arrived at by means of which the city agreed to take over the circulating library, yet leaving the charge of it in the hands of the Historical and Scientific Society.

MUSEUM.

The accomodation for the museum is by no means adequate, and much inconvenience is experienced in providing room for some of the cases, but your council hope that in the near future additional space may be procured.

CONSTITUTION.

Your council, being impressed with the necessity of revising the constitution have given the subject considerable attention, which has resulted in the adoption of an amended constitution at the general meeting held Feby. 7th.

MEETINGS.

The society has held eight meetings during the year, and the executive council twenty-eight. Your council have to deplore the lack of interest manifested by many of their own body as shown by their absence from the council and committee meetings; some, indeed, have not appeared at all. It is needless to say that unless the executive make a practical expression of their interest by attending the meetings and working in their different capacities no success can be anticipated.

A paper was read on the 24th of March by the Rev. C. T. Weatherly. Subject—Numismatics. Not published.

A paper was read on the 28th of April by Mr. C. N. Bell. Subject—"Some Red River Settlement History." Published.

On the 13th of August, Professor Goldwin Smith gave a resume of the critical changes in English history. Not published.

On the 5th of September, the Hudson's Bay Company's factors accepted the invitation of the council to the rooms of the society. This notable gathering it is hoped will have a beneficial effect, particularly as the chief commissioner and other gentlemen promised to assist the society in any way in their power; it is therefore to be anticipated that these gentlemen, many of whom are descended from the original fur traders, whose names are historical, have opportunities of affording information as to the early history of the country and of sending us objects of interest in the various branches of science which our museum includes. It is therefore recommended that copies of this report be sent to them, together with a request for their co-operation.

In handing over the affairs of the society to their successors the members of the council express the hope that as many difficulties have been removed the new year may be marked by special advancement.

THE BOOKS LENT.

The report further included a return of books lent during November, December and January, as follows: Fiction, 627; science, 27: history, 105; travels, 17; biography, 21; magazines, 295; official, 3; philosophy, 5; poetry, 49; art, 7; education, 15; classics, 32; languages, 8; general literature, 24; mathematics, 29; total, 1,255.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The treasurer, Mr. R. E. W. Goodridge, submitted an abstract of receipts and expenditures for the year ending January, 1888, as follows:

DR.

Members' fees, life	$ 15 00
" " active	417 75
" " associate	352 25
Quarterly subscribers to library	46 00
Members of Teachers' Association	42 00
Normal School students	26 00
Donations	1 00
Rent of rooms to physicians and surgeons	6 00
University of Manitoba for care of Isbister library	50 00
" " refund of insurance on Isbister library,	20 00
City Council grant	500 00
Provincial Government grant, first half-year only	125 00
Money received for lost books	3 20
" " fines for detention of books	1 75
Sale of Society publications	12 90
" library catalogues	2 00
Refund of carriage of books	95
" bank commission	25
	$1622 05

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Balance overpaid last year	$ 3 42
Secretary's salary till Sept. 30	600 00
" " on account of Oct	47 50
Rent of rooms in Stobart block till Jan. 15	170 00
Heating rooms in full (including arrears)	150 00
Expense of removing to city hall	115 06
" " " carpentering	4 74
Gas and lamps	67 91
Magazines and periodicals	178 15
Books	49 10
Printing	83 00
Stationery	28 90
Postage	28 27
Post office drawer	6 00
Carried forward	$1532 05

Brought forward	$1532 05
Insurance	40 00
Carriage of books	12 40
" chairs for meetings	3 25
Ironmongery	4 70
Caretaking	17 65
Ice and water	5 75
Bank commission	25
Advertising annual meeting	6 00
	$1622 05

Rev. Dr. Bryce presented a special report of the library committee, as follows:

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At the request of the council the library committee begs leave to give the following account of the library for the information of the Society. The Society divides the library into three branches: I. Reference; II. Isbister; III, Circulating.

REFERENCE LIBRARY.

The reference library contains about 2,000 bound volumes and books in paper covers and many pamphlets. It includes what is called the "Northwest Library," consisting of some 324 volumes, dealing in the main with the history of the Canadian Northwest. These are found very useful to those studying the history and resources of our own country. It also includes some 189 volumes presented by the Smithsonian Institution. The American Government has placed our society on its exchange list as well as the Dominion Government, and from these two sources the chief part of the reference library is drawn. A number of books purchased by the Society from time to time are here included, while learned societies have sent many of their best contributions.

ISBISTER LIBRARY.

This library contains 4679 volumes, belonging to the University of Manitoba, which are kept under an agreement with the University. The books of this library are made up as follows: History and Biography, 401; Natural Science and Mathematics, 813; Ancient and Modern classical works, 2,032; Educational, 646; others, 805; total, 4,697.

In a number of departments the Isbister library acts as a reference library for members of the society, and is especially useful to teachers and students.

THE CIRCULATING LIBRARY.

This library consists of 3000 bound books. These have, with the exception of a few bequests and donations, been purchased by the society and under the new arrangement with the city council, $400 annually will be spent; thus the library will be furnished with many needed additions. Some sets of the more commonly read standard works, such as Dickens, have been worn out and need replacement. The circulating library is to be newly catalogued and kept separate in order that, with the new books to be purchased, it may form the nucleus for a public library for the city.

JOINT LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

The joint library committee appointed under the arrangement with the city has held four meetings and has taken steps for re-organizing the library. Tenders were called for, for the supply of magazines and newspapers for the year and the contract awarded to Mr. Alexander Taylor for $177.70. Tenders were also received for supplying the books for the library. The contract was awarded to Mr. W. D. Russell at rates exceedingly favorable for the society. The committee gave its first order for books to the amount of $60 or $70 at its last meeting. The engagement of the librarian having been terminated by the society, in order that the committee might be unhampered in its action, the committee appointed Mr. W. H. Hughan librarian from February 14th to May 1st at a salary of $50 per month, and decided to obtain the services of a female assistant librarian at $20 per month. It is hoped that the work of re-organization and cataloguing may be hastened on apace, and that by the 1st of May, the working of the new system may be tested, and such regulations adopted as may be

for the more efficient working of the library. The committee has reason to believe that the new arrangement with the city council will be advantageous to the society.

The above reports were all adopted as read.

THE ELECTIONS.

The election of fifteen members to constitute the executive council was then proceeded with, Messrs. Bell, McNee, Goodridge and Turnock, being appointed to act as scrutineers. They reported the result to be that the following were chosen: Rev. Dr. Bryce, C. N. Bell, Rev. Prof. Hart, Stephen Nairn, Archibald McNee, Dr. Agnew, Judge Ardagh, Rev. A. B. Baird, A. Bowerman, Ald. A. McDonald, F. F. Wesbrook, R. E. W Goodridge, F. C. Wade, D. S. Curry and Hon. G. McMicken.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Judge Ardagh; 1st vice-president, C. N. Bell; 2nd vice-president, Hon. G. McMicken; corresponding secretary, A. Bowerman; recording secretary, D. S. Curry; treasurer, Stephen Nairn; auditor, W. J. Akin.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Baird, seconded by Mr. Bell, a vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Akin for his past services as auditor.

On motion of Judge Ardagh, seconded by Mr. Bell, the hearty thanks of the society were given Mr. Goodridge for his very efficient services as treasurer for a number of years.

MEETING OF COUNCIL.

After the adjournment of the society meeting, the newly elected council met, Judge Ardagh, president, taking the chair, and the following standing committees were appointed:

Archæology and natural history—C. N. Bell, (chairman), F. F. Wesbrook. Dr. Agnew, A. Bowerman and Rev. A. B. Baird.

Library and publication—Rev. Dr. Bryce (chairman), Judge Ardagh, Rev. Prof. Hart, F. C. Wade and A. McNee.

Out of the library committee—Revs. Dr. Bryce and Prof. Hart, and Mr. A. McNee were appointed to act upon the joint committee of the society and the city council for the management of the public library.

Finance and property—Ald. A. McDonald (chairman), D. S. Curry, Stephen Nairn, Hon. G. McMicken, and R. E. W. Goodridge.

The meeting then adjourned.

The Recording Secretary reports Donations to the Library and Museum for 1887 from seventy-one private Individuals, exchanges from one hundred and twenty Institutions, and fifty-three from Local Newspaper Publishers and others.

EXCHANGE LIST.

Canadian Entomologist.
American Museum of Natural History.
United States Geol. Survey.
Society of Arts, England.
New England Historical and Genealogical Society.
United States Department of Agriculture.
Harvard University.
Toronto Public Library.
American Institute of Mining Engineers.
Imperial Federation, England.
Wisconsin State Historical Society.
U. S. A. Commissioner of Agriculture.
Statistical Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.
Archives Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.
Public Library, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England.
U. S. A. War Department, Bureau of Military Justice.
The Sanitary Institute of Great Britain.
Massachusetts Historical Society.
Guelph Scientific Society.
Library, House of Commons, Ottawa.
New York Academy of Sciences.

EXCHANGE LIST.—Continued.

Society of Chemical Industry.
U. S. A. Treasury.
Royal Geographical Society.
Minnesota Historical Society.
Societé de Geographic Commerciale du Havre.
Liverpool (England) Microscopical Society.
Distribution Office, House of Commons, Ottawa.
Cincinnati Society of Natural History.
Association of Engineering Societies.
New York Microscopical Society.
Wien Annalen des KK Natur-historis-chen Hof Museums.
U. S. A. Bureau of Education.
Engineers' Club of Philadelphia.
Long Island Society.
Province of Nova Scotia.
Boston Public Library.
The Smithsonian Institution.
Royal Society of New South Wales.
Royal Physical Society, Edinburgh, Scotland.
Numismatic and Antiquarian Society, Philadelphia.
Canadian Institute, Toronto.
Geological and Natural History Survey of Canada.
The Manitoba University.
American Historical Association.
Nova Scotia Institute of Natural Science.
Mittheilungen des Veriens Fur Erdkunde zer Leipzic.
The Local Provincial Government.
Ottawa Field Naturalists' Club.
Royal Society of Canada.
Essex Institute.
Victoria Institute, London, Eng.
Quekett Microscopical Club.
Canadian Natural History Society.
Peabody Academy of Science.
U. S. Bureau of Ethnology.
Sedalia Natural History Society.
Geologists' Association, England.
U. S. A. Secretary of the Interior.
Natural History Society of Glasgow, Scotland.
The Worcester Society of Antiquity.
British Association for the Advancement of Science.
St. Louis Academy of Science.
Entomological Society of Ontario.
Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.
Annario de la Oficina Central Meteorologica de Chili.
Historical Society of Wisconsin.
Royal Colonial Institute, England.
The Cornell University.
American Philosophical Society.
Academia Nacional de Biencias Cordova.
Davenport Academy of Natural Sciences.
Colorado Scientific Society..
Ohio Archæological & Historical Society.
University State Library, Albany.
Oneida Historical Society, Utica, N.Y.
New Jersey Historical Society.
Ohio Mechanics Institute.
Buffalo Society of Natural Sciences.
British and American Archæological Society of Rome.
Hamilton Association.
Leeds (England) Philosophical and Literary Society.
Montreal Celtic Society.
Nova Scotia Historical Society.
The Presbyterian Church in Canada.
The Episcopal Synod of Rupert's Land.
Winnipeg Board of Trade.
Societe de Geographic de France.
Societe Americaine de France.
Societe Ethnographic, Paris.
Philosophical Society of Glasgow, Eng.
Natural History Society of Montreal.
Meteorological Service, Dominion of Canada.
Chicago Academy of Sciences.
Missouri Historical Society.
Zoological Society of London, England.
Quebec Geographical Society.
Public Museum, Milwaukee.
American Museum of Natural History.
United States National Museum.
American Philosophical Society, Philadelphia.
American Swedenborg Publication Society
Ontario Agricultural College.
Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Montreal.
Financial Reform Association, England.
Boston American Congregational Association.
Royal Observatory, Edinburgh, Scotland.
Library Company of Philadelphia.
King's College Science Society, England.
Ornithological Union, New York.
State Library of Massachusetts.
Department of the Interior, Ottawa.
Provincial Government of Ontario.
The National Association for the Promotion of Social Science.
The Departmental Divisions of the Government of the United States.

CITY AND PROVINCIAL NEWSPAPERS, &c.

Winnipeg Daily Free Press.
" Weekly "
St. Boniface Le Manitoba.
Emerson International.
Minnedosa Tribune.
Selkirk Record.
Fort McLeod Gazette.
Regina Leader.
Morden Monitor.
Weekly Tribune Review, Portage la Prairie.
The Commercial.
Virden Advance.
Qu'Appelle Vidette.
Gladstone Age.
Manitou Mercury.
Rapid City Standard.
Prince Albert Times.
Neepawa Register.
Winnipeg Morning Call.
" Weekly "
Winnipeg Sun (two copies).
North-West Farmer.
Northwest Review.
Manitoba Gazette.
Portage la Prairie Liberal.
Brandon Sun.
" Times.
Edmonton Bulletin.
Saskatchewan Herald.
Stonewall News.
Lethbridge News.
Regina Journal.
Heimskringla.
Winnipeg Siftings.
Rapid City Spectator.
The Emigrant.
Birtle Observer.
Medicine Hat Times.
Moosomin Courier.
Qu'Appelle Progress.
Timber.
Kosmos.
Machinery Market.
Machinery Exporter.
Tit Bits.
Montana Stock Growers' Journal.
Waghorn's Guide.
Henderson's Gazetteer.
St. John's College Magazine.
Weather Review, Toronto.
Manitoba College Journal.
Dominion Mechanical and Milling News.
Manitoba Crop Bulletin.
Bibliotheca Americana, Cincinnati.
Canadian Mining Review.
The Lancet.
The Scandinavian Canadian.
Gun's Unclaimed Money Index.
Post Office Guide, Winnipeg.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

CAP. XXIV.

An Act to incorporate the Historical and Scientific Society of Manitoba.

[*Assented to 25th June, 1879.*]

WHEREAS the persons hereinafter named have formed themselves into a Society and have petitioned for an Act of Incorporation for such Society; therefore,

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba, enacts as follows:

Body corporate.

I. The Hon. E. B. Wood, William Cowan, M.D., Alexander McArthur, Rev. Professor George Bryce, Alexander Begg, S. R. Parsons, Rev. Canon John Grisdale, Donald Codd, A. H. Whitcher, James H. Rowan, E. W. Jarvis, John F. Bain, James Stewart, the Hon. John Norquay and the Hon. Joseph Royal, and all other person or persons as are now or shall from time to time become members of the said Society shall be united into a Society and shall be one body corporate and politic, by the name of "The Historical and Scientific Society of Manitoba," and by that name shall have perpetual succession and a common seal with power to break and alter the same, and by that name to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts whatsoever, and to

Name of Society.

Powers

hold any estate, real or personal, or mixed, and the same to grant, sell, lease, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of, for the use and benefit of the said Society, and to receive, by request, donation or purchase, property, real or personal, and shall hold the same in perpetuity as a sacred trust for the uses and purposes of the said Society: Provided always, that no member of said Society shall be in any way liable or chargeable with the payment of any debt or demand due by the said Society beyond the extent of the entrance fee and the annual subscriptions remaining unpaid by the said member.

Proviso.

Society may make by-laws, etc.

II. The said Society shall have power to make a constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations, not being contrary to law or the provisions of this Act.

Objects of the Society.

III. The object of said Society shall be the collection and preservation of publications, M S S., antiquities, curiosities, specimens of natural history and the formation of a library and museum: Provided that in the first place and chiefly such publications, manuscripts, specimens and other objects collected and preserved shall pertain to the social, political and natural history of America.

How the affairs of the Society shall be managed.

IV. The affairs of the said Society shall be managed p rsonally by an Executive Council composed of the following nine perso.., namely: Rev. Canon Grisdale, Donald Codd, A. H. Whitcher, James H. Rowan, E. W. Jarvis, John F. Bain, James Stewart, Hon. John Norquay, Hon. Joseph Royal, and the following persons who shall be the provisional officers and *ex officio* members of the Executive Council, namely: Hon. Chief Justice Wood, President; Wm. Cowan, M.D., 1st Vice-President; Alex. McArthur, 2nd Vice-President; Rev. Professor Bryce, Corresponding-Secretary; Alex. Begg, Recording-Secretary; S. R. Parsons, Treasurer; and the said Executive Council and the said officers shall be the Executive Council and officers respectively of the said Society until an election of a new Executive Council and officers shall take place according to the constitution of the said Society at the annual meeting of said Society to be held on the second Tuesday in February which will be in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty, and until their successors shall have been elected; and therefore, on the second Tuesday in February in each year, the annual meeting of the said Society shall be held, at which the annual election of the said Executive Council and officers respectively shall take place in accordance with the constitution of the said Society: Provided that the number of the Executive Council may, by amendment of its constitution made at an annual or general meeting called for that purpose, be increased or diminished, and provided further that the constitution of the said Society may in any respect be amended at any such meeting as aforesaid.

Proviso.

CONSTITUTION

OF

THE HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY

OF MANITOBA.

NAME.

This Society shall be called the HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY of Manitoba.

ARTICLE I.—OBJECT.

The object of the Society shall be to collect and maintain a general library of scientific and popular literature, also to embody, arrange and preserve a library of books, pamphlets, maps, manuscripts, prints, papers or paintings; a cabinet and museum of minerals, archæological curiosities and objects generally illustrative of the civil, religious, literary and natural history of the lands and territories north and west of Lake Superior; to rescue from oblivion the memory of the early missionaries, fur traders, explorers and settlers of the aforesaid lands and territories, and to obtain and preserve narratives in print, manuscripts, or otherwise, of their travels, adventures, labors and observations; to ascertain, record, preserve and publish, when necessary, information with regard to the history and present condition of the said regions, and the Society may take steps to promote the study of History and Science by lectures and other means.

ARTICLE II.—MEMBERS.

The Society shall consist of active, corresponding, honorary and life members.

Active members shall consist of persons residing in the Province of Manitoba

Corresponding members shall be persons residing elsewhere who feel an interest in the Society and its objects, and are willing to aid it by representing it in their vicinity and procuring donations for its library and museum.

Honorary members shall consist more particularly of persons whose careers have been associated with the history of the Dominion of Canada, in trade, explorations, science, art, literature, or missionary labors.

ARTICLE III.—ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

No person shall hereafter be elected a member unless proposed and seconded at a regular meeting of the Society or Executive Council, and balloted for at the next succeeding meeting of the Society, and one negative vote on every five cast shall exclude the candidate.

ARTICLE IV.—FEES AND DUES.

1. Each active member shall on admission pay five dollars in full of entrance fee and all dues for the first year, which shall be enclosed with the application for membership, and shall pay five dollars yearly in advance thereafter, and shall be entitled to all privileges of the Society, and all subscriptions shall end on 31st of December in each year.

2. Any person by paying $25 at one time shall become a life member and shall thereafter be free from the payment of annual dues.

3. Should any member fail to pay the annual dues within one month after the first of January his name may be erased from the roll of membership and if in arrears for one year he shall cease to be a member.

4. When an active member removes from the Province his name may, upon notice to the Recording Secretary, be placed on the list of corresponding members, and when a corresponding member becomes a resident of the Province he may on application be entered on the list of active members on the payment of the entrance fee and dues.

ARTICLE V.—GOVERNMENT.

1. The government of the Society shall be vested in an Executive Council of fifteen members to be chosen by ballot after nomination at the annual meeting of the Society, and notice of said meeting shall be given in at least two daily newspapers published in the City of Winnipeg.

2. The Executive Council so elected shall have the custody of the buildings, funds, securities and properties of all kinds belonging to the Society. They shall have in their hands the entire control and regulation of its affairs in the interval between the annual elections. They shall have control of the collection and disbursements of funds and shall take all needful measures for the success and proper management of the Society. They shall have power to appoint such standing or other committees from their own number as they shall deem necessary to the successful operation of the Society and its several departments, and may frame by-laws for the regulation of the museum and library as they may see fit, provided the same are not inconsistent with the provisions of this constitution and the Act of Incorporation. They shall fill vacancies in their own number caused by death, removal from the Province, resignation or any other cause, or among the officers of the Society, and may declare the place of any member of the Council vacant, who shall be absent from more than three successive monthly meetings of the Council without sending a reasonable excuse therefor to the Society.

ARTICLE VI.—OFFICERS.

1. The officers of the Society who shall be chosen from the members of the Executive Council shall be as follows :—

President, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer.

2. The above officers shall be elected by ballot after nomination at the annual meeting of the Society. They shall serve for the term of one year and until their successors are appointed.

3. No such officer of the Society or member of the Executive Council shall receive any salary for his services.

4. If any officer is absent from the monthly meetings of the Executive Council more than three successive meetings, unless detained by sickness, absence from the Province or any other just cause his office may be declared vacant.

ARTICLE VII.—VACANCIES.

If a vacancy shall happen in any of the offices of the Society or in the Executive Council it shall be filled by election at the next regular meeting of the Executive Council and the person so elected shall hold his office for the unexpired term of the person vacating the same.

ARTICLE VIII.—ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Society shall be held on the second Tuesday of February in each year at 19:30 o'clock, and the name of no person shall be entered on the list of active members eligible to vote, who shall not have paid his fees for the current year on or before the Saturday preceding the annual meeting.

ARTICLE IX.—PRESIDING OFFICER.

The President, or in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, or in their absence a chairman *pro tem* shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Executive Council and shall have a casting vote. He shall preserve order and shall decide all questions of order subject to an appeal.

ARTICLE X.—CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

The Corresponding Secretary shall carry on the correspondence with honorary and corresponding members as well as with all literary and scientific correspondents, individual or corporate of the Society, and shall preserve the originals of all letters received by him and lay them before the Executive Council at its meetings. He shall make a written report of the operations of the Society through the Executive Council to the annual meeting of the Society. He shall be ex-officio a member of all standing committees without vote.

ARTICLE XI.—RECORDING SECRETARY.

The Recording Secretary shall keep the minutes and records of the Society, give due notice of all meetings of the Society or Executive Council. He shall record the death of members and report the same to the next meeting.

ARTICLE XII.—TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall receive all moneys belonging to the Society and disburse the same only on the order of the Executive Council attested by the Recording Secretary. He shall keep a true account of his receipts and payments and report the same in full to the Society at its annual meeting. He shall also report to the Executive Council quarterly at its meetings in January, April, July and October, and at such other times as the Executive Council may request the amount of receipts and payments, and the balance then on hand.

ARTICLE XIII.—AUDITORS.

The annual meeting of the Society shall appoint two auditors whose duty it shall be to audit the quarterly and annual reports of the Treasurer. In case of their resignation or their inability to act the Executive Council shall appoint others in their stead.

ARTICLE XIV.—LIBRARIAN.

A Librarian may be appointed annually by the Executive Council and paid for his services. He shall, under the direction of said Council, have charge and superintendence of the library and museum of the Society and the care and arrangement of the books, manuscripts, maps, paintings, &c., belonging to the same. He shall properly preserve, arrange and keep them in order; he shall prepare and keep a proper catalogue and list of the same. He shall keep a book in which shall be recorded all donations to the Society of whatever nature with the name of the donor and date of presentation and shall acknowledge the receipt thereof and also carefully label such donations with the title of the Society and the name of the donor. He shall under no circumstances permit any book of reference, manuscript, document, maps, pictures, property belonging to the museum, or any books or works not intended for general circulation belonging to the Society to be removed from the rooms, unless permission has been granted by the Executive Council or their standing committee on library and museum. At each monthly meeting of the Executive Council he shall report the donations received since last meeting, and at each annual meeting he shall make a full report on the condition and progress of the library and museum. He shall also attend to any other duties required of him by the Executive Council as to the collection of dues or other work in furtherance of the objects and maintenance of the Society. The Council may also appoint such assistants as may be necessary.

ARTICLE XV.—AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

This constitution can be altered or amended only at a general meeting of the of the Society called for that purpose, and notice of such proposed amendments must be given at a meeting of the Executive Council at least one month previous to such general meeting; and each paid up member of the Society shall be notified thereof, eight days before the meeting at which the amendment is to be considered.

BY-LAWS.

NUMBER 1.—The regular meeting of the Executive Council shall be held on the second Thursday of each month at 20 o'clock, and a regular meeting of the Society shall be called for the fourth Thursday at 20 o'clock.

No. 2.—Special meetings of the Council or of the Society may be called by the authority of the President, or of either of the Vice-Presidents, and it shall be

the duty of said President or Vice-Presidents to call a special meeting upon the requisition of five active or life members, of which due notice, either written or printed stating the purpose of the meeting, shall be given; and at any such meeting business of an ordinary character may be transacted, but for such last mentioned purpose the consent of at least two-thirds of the members present shall be necessary.

No. 3.—At any regular meeting of the Society the order of business shall be that proposed by the Executive Council and announced by the Chairman. In the absence of such prepared order of business the following shall be observed :—

1. Calling to order.
2. Reading and confirming of minutes.
3. Reading and referring letters, memorials, accounts, &c.
4. Reports of standing and other committees.
5. Reports of the Corresponding Secretary, the Recording Secretary, the Treasurer and the Librarian.
6. Inquiries and notices of motion.
7. Nomination and election of members.
8. Unfinished and miscellaneous business.
9. Adjournment.

No. 4.—Five members of the Executive Council shall form a quorum of the same for the transaction of business, but a less number may agree to adjourn the meeting, after half an hour has elapsed from the advertised time of the meeting.

No. 5.—STANDING AND OTHER COMMITTEES, &c., shall be appointed by the Executive Council and there shall not be less than three members of any committee of whom a majority shall form a quorum.

1. FINANCE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE, whose duty it shall be to examine all bills or accounts against the Society and report upon them, and supervise the quarterly and annual reports of the Treasurer, manage the property of the Society, and attend to its leasing and other matters connected therewith.

2. LIBRARY AND PUBLICATION COMMITTEE, whose duty it shall be with the Librarian to take general superintendence of the library, the purchase of books, the exchange of publications, acceptance and acknowledgement of donations, editing and supervising such papers as the Society may decide to have printed, providing and deciding upon what papers shall be read before the Society and to secure suitable furniture and appliances for the library or rooms of the Society.

3. ARCHÆOLOGICAL AND NATURAL HISTORY COMMITTEE, whose duty it shall be to take, with the Librarian, general superintendence of the museum, to secure and record all facts concerning the history, religion and habits of the aboriginal inhabitants and the present Indian tribes and inhabitants of the region included within the operations of the Society, and to collect and preserve for the museum such relics and curiosities as will best illustrate such facts, as well as to prepare and arrange for the collection of the Society such specimens illustrating the natural history of the country as they may collect, or as may be presented to the Society for preservation.

No. 6. All committees, both standing and special, shall report on the subject referred to them, at the next succeeding meeting of the Council. Such report must be in writing, and signed by the chairman of the committee.

No. 7. No alteration shall be made in the by-laws unless such proposed alteration shall have been proposed in writing at a regular meeting of the Executive Council at least one month previous, and shall be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members present at the next regular meeting of the Council.

No. 8. There shall be a Special Library Committee consisting of three membesr, which shall, in conjunction with the Library Committee of the City Council have the charge and management of the circulating library, in pursuance of the agreement with the City Council adopted on Dec. 27th, 1887.